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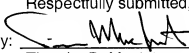
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND/OR ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the Office Action mailed April 1, 2009, Applicant hereby elects to prosecute Species 12 (FIGS. 28-30), readable on claims 1, 20-25, 42, and 43. Claims 20 and 42 correspond to FIG. 28, claims 21 and 43 correspond to FIG. 29, claim 22 corresponds to FIG. 30, and claims 1 and 23-25 are generic as indicated on page 5 of the Office Action. Applicant makes this election without prejudice and reserves the right to prosecute the remaining Species 1-11 at a later date.

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